The clearance of the proposal by the Government would depend on availability of infrastructural facilities in the Institute for starting of the said course and recommendations of the MCI thereon.

Availability of Nurses

2075. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that many institutes in Bangalore and elsewhere are training nurses for exclusive employment in USA;

(b) whether the country is self-sufficient in its requirement of trained nurses for hospitals, health centres etc.; and

(c) if not, the reasons for not taking any steps to utilize the services of trained nurses in the country?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (c) There are many private institutions in the country including Bangalore offering training in nursing as per the norms of Indian Nursing Council, but there is no information about training of nurses in Bangalore or elsewhere exclusively for employment in USA. There are adequate numbers of nursing educational institutions in the country producing about 25000-30000 nurses every year and there is no shortage of trained nurses. Government is also supporting States for establishing new schools and for upgradation of existing nursing educational institutions.

Failure of sterilization operations

2076. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many women in Orissa and other parts of